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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Chairman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the City of Wilmer Force 16-inch Force Main replacement project in fiscal year 2022.

The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Wilmer, Texas, located at 128 N. Dallas Avenue, Wilmer, Texas 75172.

The funding would be used for the replacement of approximately 7000 linear feet of existing 16-inch wastewater force main. The existing 16-inch main is 47 years old and is beyond its design's useful life. The force main crosses beneath the Trinity River and is the only outfall for the entire City that carries collected wastewater into the Dallas Southside Wastewater Treatment Plant for treatment. A recent force main break resulted in an estimated 500,000 gallons of raw sewage being spilled into the Trinity River in a protected environmentally sensitive Wildlife Preserve area. Emergency response and cleanup cost to the City of Wilmer \$1,300,000. A temporary force main crossing has been placed above ground across the river but is will not be adequate to withstand future high river flow events.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Eddie Bernice Johnson
Member of Congress